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From: Nakatsu, Jason
Sent: Mon 9/14/2015 8:07:45 PM
Subject: FW: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

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From: Krueger, Roy
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2015 2:06 PM
To: Atkins, Laura
Cc: Buchholz, Ken; Mitchell, Brian; Nakatsu, Jason
Subject: FW: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

FYI. I was just advised you are going to the ICP. Please note the requirements below. This was established based upon my discussion with my counterpart in R8.

From: Krueger, Roy
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2015 7:21 AM
To: Mitchell, Brian; Crable, Gregory
Cc: Teopaco, Julius; Buchholz, Ken; Miller, Michele; Hankins, Teri; Bishop, Debbie; Phillips, John; Hayes, Scott; Jones, Doug; Nakatsu, Jason
Subject: RE: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

Everyone,

This information applies below are restrictions for anyone that is deploying that does not meet the 24 hour basic safety and health training with a current 8 hour annual refresher and either in the occupational medical surveillance program or a medical screening through FOH.

1. To deploy someone without medical screening or the 24 hour safety and health training and a current 8 hour refresher that individual will be restricted to the Incident Command Post.

NO EXCEPTIONS!

2. RSC members are normally supposed to have medical screening and a current annual refresher following a 24 hour safety and health training session. In this deployment there is a deviation from this practice for those that will not do any field activity even though they are very close to the “action.” This means that they stay in an office environment so their risks are as close as possible to what they would normally see at work. We do not want to place any currently untrained and non-medically screened staff in harm’s way.

3. Individuals are NOT to be reassigned to any other work that will place them in the field. This includes driving to and from locations dropping items, people and equipment off so NO extended driving. There have already been near misses at this deployment.

4. Individuals are to remain in the ICP 100% of their duty and therefore, will minimize their exposures to potential hazards due to the response.

5. Individuals are NOT to go driving to drop off PPE to the staging area as well as do much of the driving and supply runs. Those activities are to be performed by staff qualified and trained to do those jobs.

6. REMEMBER!

- Area Command ONLY – STAY AT THE ICP

- Final determination is made by the Safety Officer at the location – PERIOD, don’t argue with them.

- Incident Action Plan – Read IT and follow IT!

- Safety Plan – Read IT and follow IT!

- Individuals not meeting the safety and health training and medical requirements are NOT authorized to go to the mine or a field event - PERIOD

- Deviating from these requirements will result in a reportable safety incident against both Regions!

Our objective is to assure that staff can do their job safely and gets home safely once their deployment is completed.

Roy Krueger, MS, CIH, CSP, CHMM, CHCM

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From: Mitchell, Brian

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 1:03 PM

To: Crable, Gregory

Cc: Teopaco, Julius; Buchholz, Ken; Miller, Michele; Hankins, Teri; Bishop, Debbie; Phillips, John; Krueger, Roy; Hayes, Scott

Subject: FW: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

Jay will travel 9/23 start 9/24 as Fin SC and travel home on 10/9.

Michele, can you process travel.

Ken, can you process TCT and OT.

Teri, can you set up his peopleplus account. This is a R8 request.

Jay,

Send me your cell phone number that you checked out from Debbie Bishop. Send me in case of emergency name and phone number too. Remember, you are not authorized to conduct field activities as you are not 24 or 40 H&S or Med Monitoring. You might also check out a MIFI puck from Debbie Bishop as well. Please take your computer.

Jay/Scott

See Scott Hayes and ask for RSC t-shirts and let me know how many he gives you.

Brian Mitchell

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From: Teopaco, Julius

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2015 12:17 PM
To: Mitchell, Brian
Cc: Phillips, John
Subject: FW: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

Brian,

Please see John's approval on attached email below. I can start my travel on 23-Sept.

Thank you,

Jay Teopaco
913-551-7232

From: Phillips, John
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:57 AM
To: Teopaco, Julius
Cc: Kohler, Carla; Nicholls, Jacob; Klinker, Wendy
Subject: RE: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

Approved. Please let Brian know your availability, and thanks for volunteering.

From: Teopaco, Julius
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:55 AM
To: Phillips, John <Phillips.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Kohler, Carla <Kohler.Carla@epa.gov>; Nicholls, Jacob <NICHOLLS.JACOB@EPA.GOV>; Klinker, Wendy <Klinker.Wendy@epa.gov>
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John,

If 24 hrs. health and safe is not required then I'd like to volunteer to go starting on 23-Sep.

Thank you,

Jay Teopaco
x-7232

From: Phillips, John
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:15 AM
To: Teopaco, Julius; Nicholls, Jacob; Klinker, Wendy
Cc: Kohler, Carla
Subject: FW: REQUEST for: Finance Section Chief to deploy September 21st to Gold King Mine Release ICP O-GKM-111

In case any of you are interested. I have personal conflicts through the early part of November, so will not be volunteering before then.

From: Buchholz, Ken
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:03 AM
To: Mitchell, Brian <Mitchell.Brian@epa.gov>
Cc: Hayes, Scott <Hayes.Scott@epa.gov>; Phillips, John <Phillips.John@epa.gov>; Hankins, Teri <Hankins.Teri@epa.gov>; Krueger, Roy <Krueger.Roy@epa.gov>; Williams, David (R7) <Williams.Dave@epa.gov>
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From: Crable, Gregory

Sent: Saturday, September 05, 2015 4:34 PM

To: EOC_Manager;; R10WatchDesk; R2 RRC; R4DutyOSC; R5EOC; R6 RRC; R7 REOC; R8 RRC; R9_RRC; RRC, R1; Borries, Samuel; Buchholz, Ken; Crossland, Ronnie; El-Zein, Jason; Field, Chris; Gross, Barbara; Meer, Daniel; Moon, Wally; Mosher, Eric; Ostrander, David; Rotola, Joe; Terada, Calvin; Tucker, Carol; Webster, James; Williams, Laura

Cc: Negron, Jose; Ruhl, Christopher; Foster, Althea; Guria, Peter; Julie. A. Bosman (Julie.A.Bosman@uscg.mil); Ostrander, David

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Order # O-GKM-111

This is a request for a Finance Section Chief to deploy to the Gold King Mine ICP. The FSC will need to check-in at the Durango ICP at 0700 on September 21st. This is a two week deployment ending no later than October 5th.

This position will not conduct field activities.

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Please respond in the negative or with a name and their availability by COB Wednesday, September 16, 2015.

Thanks in advance for your consideration,

Greg H. Crable

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